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Students' CIA Contact Elusive

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Who Is Robert R. Kiley?

As the National Student Association's leaders, he is the chief of Covert Action Division No. 5, the secret arm of the Central Intelligence Agency that since the early '50s has financed millions of dollars of student activity.

To the people who live around 3034 Cambridge pl. nw in Georgetown, where Kiley and his wife live, he is a stocky, bespectacled and brown-haired man of about 30, perhaps 5 feet 10 inches tall who works for the Agency for International Development (AID).

To the Government, he is a man who does not exist.

His name could not be found in AID personnel records. The CIA, in keeping with its policy, won't say whether he works for them.

Labeled as Consultant

Polk's 1965 city directory lists him as a consultant for a firm called Intercontinental Research Co., Inc., whose headquarters are now listed at 2010 P st. nw.

Intercontinental Research has been identified as set up and controlled by the CIA and used as a "cover" for its handful of staff members when they travel in Latin America on CIA business.

A reporter who was unsuccessful in reaching Kiley by telephone went to his home yesterday. When he knocked, a man's voice on the other side of the Kileys' door asked him to identify himself and the reporter complied.

"Can I ask whom I'm talking to?"

"No, you can't," said the voice. "I mean you can ask but I'd rather not say."

Kiley Leaves House

The reporter went outside and waited. Shortly afterward a stocky, bespectacled and brown-haired man of about 30, perhaps 5 feet 10, left the house alone.

Asked if he were Kiley, the man replied: "I certainly am."

So to the press, Kiley is a spectral figure.

But some of his history could be pieced together:

Kiley became active in the National Student Association when he was a student at Notre Dame University in the 1950. By 1959, he was president of the NSA. Then the trail dims.

But sources close to the student organization say that Kiley has been the CIA's contact man with NSA recently. They say that he and two brothers, Manuel and Bob Aragon, formed the Intercontinental Research front in 1964.

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